



# MORRIS COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION

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## Morris Canal Lock 2 East

2006	\$48,896	Master Plan
2007	\$100,000	Architectural Services
2011	\$286,450	Wall and Gates

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**Grant Recipient:** Wharton Borough

**Location:** Wharton Boro.

The Morris Canal Lock 2 East and associated tender's house and outbuildings are contributing features in the Morris Canal Historic District, listed on both the National and New Jersey Register of Historic Places.

Morris Canal used 23 inclined-planes to raise and lower boats up to elevations of 100 ft. and had 23 conventional locks that were used for smaller changes in elevation. Lock 2 East raised and lowered canal boats 8 feet.

The 2006 grant will provide for the preparation of a Historic Site Master Plan, including an assessment of the lock and outlets, the tender's house and outbuildings, and towpath, etc.

The 2007 grant will assist with professional services toward the restoration of the lock, stabilization of the lock tender's house, and drainage improvement.

The Borough of Wharton will begin restoration work on the Lock, assisted by a 2011 grant which provides for work on the top 3 to 4 feet of the lock walls to bring the walls up to their historic elevation, and fabrication of wood lock gates. The Borough also received a \$582,000 grant from NJDOT to restore lock walls to grade level.